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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170
and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

I use my phone primarily as a leash my elderly house-bound mother can yank on for help when she needs it. If the FCC were doing anything constructive in regulating the monopoly use of public airwaves then we wouldn't see infomercials running for hours on TV. The public trust has not been well served by the FCC in granting exclusive use of limited bandwidth available for TV broadcasts to those who utilize large blocks of time for solely commercial purposes with no entertainment or educational value, except to potential customers of sponsors who purchase that time. If you need money, go after those broadcasters and hit them up for the profits generated by abusing the public's trust in violation of their commitments to serve the public's interest in exchange for their monopoly privileges.

Thankyou - but wake up to your responsibilities to the public and not just to the oligarchy to whom you've surrendered our public airwaves. The solution to budget shortfalls is not to further gouge the little guys.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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